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Windows Media Center in Windows Vista

Enjoy all your favorite digital entertainment—including live and recorded TV, movies, music, and pictures—in one place with the easy-to-use Windows Media Center menu system and remote control. Windows Media Center in Windows Vista includes enhancements for expanded support of digital and high-definition cable TV, an improved menu system, and the ability to create a consumer-electronics-quality living-room experience, as well as new options for multi-room access to your entertainment through Media Center Extenders, including Xbox 360.

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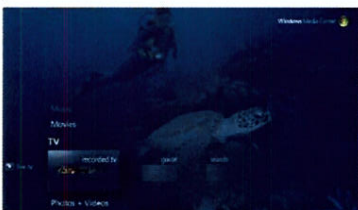
Windows Media Center in Windows Vista includes a redesigned menu system that can be enjoyed at your Media Center PC or through your Xbox 360 using your home network.

Digital entertainment for your home

Windows Media Center in Windows Vista makes it easier than ever to find, play, and manage all your digital entertainment on your PC or TV using a mouse and keyboard or a remote control.

Because TVs and computer monitors are moving towards widescreen and high-definition displays, Windows Media Center in Windows Vista has been optimized to make enjoying your photos, home movies, and TV in your living room a better experience than ever before.

You can organize your digital entertainment in many ways to help make it easier to find and enjoy what you want. By using options like thumbnail pictures, you'll quickly be able to identify which CD, photo, movie, or TV show you're looking for. And when browsing through your entertainment options in Windows Media Center, you don't have to interrupt what you're already enjoying—you can navigate the Media Center menus while continuing to view the movie, TV show, or photos already on your screen.



Continue to view the show you're watching in full-screen while navigating the Media Center menus.

With Windows Media Center in Windows Vista, you will be able to experience all your digital entertainment not only on your PC, but also on up to five other PCs or TVs using Media Center Extenders. The Xbox 360 has a Windows Media Center Extender built into it, so you can power a whole new entertainment experience over your home network using the same Windows Media Center menus. Windows Media Center Extenders allow you to leave the PC in the office and enjoy your music, photos, movies, and TV anywhere in the house using the enhanced Media Center menus.

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Windows Media Player 11 for Windows Vista gives you an easier way to enjoy and manage your digital music, video, and pictures on your PC. See things the way you want to see them, by CD cover art or in lists—the choice is yours. Connect to networked media devices around your home or seamlessly sync up with your portable digital media player to enjoy all your entertainment wherever you are. Sporting an improved look and feel, Windows Media Player delivers a high-quality audio and visual experience both on the computer and around your home.

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Media Library

The Media Library in Windows Media Player has been updated to maximize the management and playback of your digital entertainment. Customizable album art and stacking views of your music collection, coupled with improved artist, track, and CD information, helps you keep your entire music collection up to date. Optimized to handle large music collections—with new features like the lightning-fast Wordwheel search that helps you find what you want—you'll always enjoy a smooth audio and video playback experience with Media Library and Windows Media Player. You can even access your Windows Media Player library from your Xbox 360 to enjoy your music in any room of your home or create the ultimate in-game soundtrack.



Windows Media Player makes it easier than ever to manage your growing music collection, while enjoying a smooth playback experience.

MTV URGE music service

URGE is a new digital music service from MTV Networks that is deeply integrated into the new Windows Media Player.



URGE, a new digital music service from MTV Networks, is deeply integrated into Windows Media Player 11.

URGE provides rich programming and music discovery tools that guide your musical exploration and connect you to the artists and music you love. With over 2 million music tracks available in URGE, you can buy individual songs or whole albums, or enjoy the entire library with a subscription through Windows Media Player.

[Learn more about the Windows Media Player 11 experience.](#)

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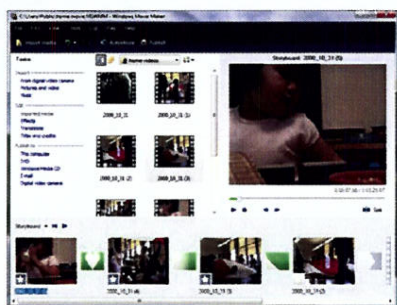
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With the new Windows Vista version of Windows Movie Maker, you can quickly and easily import, edit, and organize all of your digital home videos. New tools, such as new effects and transitions, and improved graphics performance help you manage and edit your home videos. You can include photos along with video when you create a movie, and even add narration and soundtracks. Once your movies are just the way you want them, you can easily burn them to DVD or share them with others through the Internet.

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Create entertaining home movies with new effects and transitions, and easily burn your creations to DVD.

Bring together video and photos in a new way

Windows Photo Gallery lets you view and manage both video and photos from the same place within Windows Vista. You can import your videos, including high-definition ones, and hundreds—or even thousands—of photos quickly, seamlessly, and more reliably than ever. When you enjoy your digital memories with Windows Photo Gallery, you can even include home movies in a picture slide show, bringing together still and moving images in a whole new way.

Create your own DVDs

Creating a custom DVD is easier than ever using the Windows DVD Maker or the "Publish" option in Windows Movie Maker. Windows DVD Maker gives you a variety of styles in which to publish your movie and can even automatically generate chapters in your DVD, so you can create a menu that lets you quickly jump to, and then play, specific scenes. Create custom DVDs from your home movies using Windows Movie Maker so your friends and family can enjoy them on their own DVD players.

A better overall experience

As you prepare your home movies, Windows Movie Maker in Windows Vista gives you more control over the quality and size of your video files than ever before—whether you plan to share your videos on the web or create high-quality DVDs. Because Windows Movie Maker efficiently uses the power of your PC's graphics processor, it delivers the smoothest overall performance, providing the best-quality video based on your PC's capabilities.

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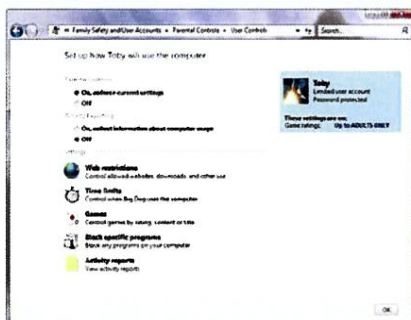
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Family Safety Settings

Nothing is more important to parents than their children's safety. Windows Vista introduces a rich and powerful set of parental control features to help parents monitor, manage, and administer their children's computer use—and help keep them safe.

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Windows Vista also makes it easy for parents to designate which games their children may play. Parents may choose to allow or restrict specific game titles, limit their children's play to games that are rated at or below a certain age level, or block any games with certain types of content they do not want their children to see or hear.



New Family Safety Settings enable parents to manage their children's computer use.

Finally, Windows Vista provides parents with a detailed activity report that shows exactly what their children have been doing on the computer, including the games they have played, the websites they visited, and the applications they have used.



Parents can manage the types of games their children can play.

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Business and Windows Vista

Windows Vista is designed for businesses of all sizes and across all industries. Focused on helping you achieve cost and operational efficiencies in desktop image deployment, management, and security, Windows Vista will make a difference in any business setting.

Windows Vista also helps PC users to be more effective in their work by offering improved connectivity with advanced integration across technologies, networks, and systems, as well as providing them with quick access to better organized information.



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